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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Masajiro Inoue *et al.*

Application No.: 09/847901

Art Unit: 1745

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Examiner: R. Alejandro

For: FUEL CELL HAVING SEALANT FOR  
SEALING A SOLID POLYMER  
ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE

### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AMENDMENT  
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Dear Sir:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004 (Paper No. 20040412), the response period of which is extended to October 15, 2004 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.